NINETY-SEVENT

ALL THE POWERS AGREE TO PRESERVE CHINA'S INTEGRITY

Hay Receives Replies From European Countries Promising to Prevent Division of Territory.

OPEN-DOOR POLICY TO BE MAINTAINS

sippi Valley, on the eastery Mountains and in Texas.

epublic's Want Column Will Be Found on

URES OF TO-DAY'S NEWS.

Pages 12 and 13.

Addition to Office Building.

Missouri Senatorial Contest.

5. John Mitchell Answers Charge

Saloon Owner Shoots Partner.

Worthless Checks Are Passed.

11. Assistant Librarian Confessos

WASHINGTON.

Speaker Cannon reveals it as admini

tration policy to put down all talk of

EASTERN WAR.

All the Powers reply to Secretary Hay's

note, pledging themselves to the preser

vation of China's integrity as opposed to

any division of her territory after the

LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

Saloon owner of North St. Louis shoot

his partner in termination of fight started

Thomas C. Hennings, former member

of the Jefferson Club, proposes to reof

ganize the Democratic party in St. Louis

icted whereby the Missouri-Lincoln Trus

street for a fourteen-story addition to the

William M. Thomas, negro, was arrested

yesterday, charged with passing worthless

checks on the bank account of William W.

It is expected that within a few days

the Interstate Commerce Commission will

render a decision in regard to the charges

lodge committee, who thought he was

burger announced that he will hold the

GENERAL DOMESTIC

Resolutions indorsing President Roose

velt in his stand for the correction of

Pension Bureau officials disclaim all re-

sponbility for the appointment of Doctor

House, which will investigate the four con-

John Mitchell, president of the United

Mine Workers, in convention at Indiana-

polis, answers the charge that he sold out

broadside against "the System." He say

in banks are being used against them

FOREIGN.

Emperor Nichelas of Russia narrowly

who fire a charge of grape shot over the

chapel where he is attending religious

SPORT NEWS.

Lady Charade won 3-year-old stake a

Matador won the feature race at New

Jack Taylor's fate in baseball is now

swalting verdict of the National Commit-

BUSINESS.

Testerday's bank clearings were \$13,200,055; balances, \$758,005 Local discount rates were be-

tween 6% and 6 per cent. Domestic exchange

ens quoted so follows: New York, Me premium

bid, 4lle premium asked; Chicago, Cincinnat

and New Orleans, par bid, the premium asked

61 15 No. 2 red. Corn closed lower at 42%

bid May, 60'sc No. 2 mixed. Outs closed at hite

Spot cotton was unchanged in the local may

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

New York, Jan. 19.—Arrived: Konig Albert, Nord America, Maniton, Sailed: Bluecher, La.

Queenstown, Jan. 13 -Salled: Ivernia, Baltic.

Liverpool, Jan. 18 - Sailed Cornishman

Leghern, Jan. 18 -Salled: Italia

Genca Jan 18 -Arrived: Perugia

Locdon, Jan. 15 - Arrived; Nacastrian

Genos, Jan. 19 .- Arrived: Canopie.

Havre Jan B .- Arrived: La Tourai

Dorer, Jan 13 - Arrived: Proterts

Antwerp Jan H -Salled: Kingstoplan

Hong-Kong, Jan. 18 - Arrived, Empe

Out Juan. P. R., Jan 19 -Arrived: Prin

Gascogne, Pomeranian.

Victoria Luter.

Wheat closed lower at \$1.16% @1.16% May

escapes death at the hands of assassing

PAGE

PAGE I

PAGE 10

PAGE 10

tests for legislative seats, is appointed.

PAGE 1

16. Negro Pension Examiner.

7. Heimburger Case.

8. Sport News.

tariff revision.

by man that is dead.

company's building.

against the Santa Fe.

of Pension Examiners.

the Colorado unions.

Essex Park.

9. Railroad News.

Pekin Feels Russia Is Read Violate Her Neutrality at V -British Ship Roselyn Co demned as Prize.

Washington, Jan. 19.—Se ecured positive assurances Powers that there shall b-

Recently it was report the Powers contemplate territorial possessions the China at the conclusi order to maintain whi balance of power in t that the outcome of the readjustment of Chine

retary Hay to the I on this information, with t that they have now all post RUSST

Waiter Wellmar rrespondent o ald, sends to his the Chicago Rect paper the follow sion of the reaso why Secretary ommunicated with the Powers ab ina at this time: ussia's recent accuss ana's neutrality is out at last. The Russian scheme was to make that clairs the basis of a settlement of the war by forming a defensive alliance with

Japan, the Mikado to retain control of Korea and a part of Manchuria, including Port Arthur (the fortress to be dismantied), and Russia to hold the upper part of Manchuria, with an outlet for her railroad to a port on the western side of the Gulf of Lino-Tung, in the vicinity of "There is information of the best character that if Japan is willing to make

peace on some such terms as these Russia but will not name his supporters. PAGE 4 is prepared to enter into negotiations. The meaning of such a settlement would be that Russia recognizes the inevitable as to Korea and the Liao-Tung Peninsula. recognizes that Japan is there to stay and that Russia proposes simply to move over to the western side of the Gulf and in-"It is not believed here that Japan will

assent to any such parceling out of Chiterritory as the price of peace. But the diplomatic world there are various opinions on this score, and in some quarters it is feared that Tekio, weary of went and fearful of financial drain, may consent to the bargain.

"But at this juncture enters perhaps the most important play of all-the move made by Mr. Hay to rally once more the great Powers in defense of the territorial integrity of China. Mr. Hay is not trying to block Russia's efforts to arrive at a settlement with Japan, but he is endeavoring, with his usual foresight and skill, to Building Commissioner was sufficient to veto the Russian plan to make peace at restrain Mayor Wells and the Council the expense of China and by the appropriation of another slice of Chinese terri-

BRITISH STEAMER CONDEMNED. Tokio, Jan. 20, 11 a. m.—The British steamer Rosely, which was captured by the Japanese cruiser Tekiwa, in the Sea of Japan. January 11, when bound for freight rates are passed by the Illinois Vladivostok with a cargo of coal, has been condemned by the prize court at

CHINA COMPLAINS. Pekin, Jan. 19.-With reference to the Russian circular note to the Powers on the subject of Chinese neutrality, , which at present is unanswered, the Chinese Government complains that it has received no communication from Russia, and consequently is ignorant of the specific

charges. Immediately after China is acquainted with the contents of the Russian te the Government will reply. It is generally considered in diplomatte circles here that China has made genuine and persistent efforts to preserve neu-

trailty; that neither the Russians nor the Japanese has any grounds to complain and that it is unfair to saddle China with naibility for the action of Chinese selves. berdits and similar cases.

The recent Russian attempt to gaugele arms through Chinese territory is pointed to as proof that Russia is ready to disre-gard China's rights when it suits her to be so. The question of China's neutrality ot associated here with the possibility an antiforeign movement

READY TO RESTORE FAIR GROUNDS

Secretary Stevens Notifies City of Willingness to Begin Work-Board to Consider Letter To-Day.

President Phillips of the Board of Public Improvements has been notified by Secretary Stevens of the Louisiana Purenase Exposition of the willingness of the saket May: 1340 No. 3 mixed World's Fair Company to begin the work

of restoring the park. The communication asks for a hearing ore the Board of Public Improvements next Tuesday on plans for this purpose prepared by George E. Kessler, Director of Restoration. The letter will be presented the board at its regular meeting

this morning, and the request of Secretary Stevens acted upon. The plans to be submitted to the city embody separate suggestions for the restoration of the roads, the grading of driveways and lawns, and the landscaping of the shrubbery under the title of "Plantation." The fourth plan combines

these three functions. Many informal suggestions have been made in regard to the park restoration. Mr. Stevens's letter is the first official notice of the readiness of the Expesition Company to return the land to its forFRIDAY MORNING. JANUARY 20, 1905.

KERENS ISSUES STATEMENT Republic ATTACKING CAUCUS NOMINEE; **NIEDRINGHAUS LOSES GROUND**

Kerens Forces Charge Treachery and Say State Chairman Used Party Organization for His Own Personal Advancement---Declare Him Under Suspicion for Crediting Campaign Contributions to Himself---Assert Their Action Is In Interest of Republican Integrity.

CHARGES AGAINST NIECR NGHAUS BY ADHERENTS OF KERENS.

Combining with Federal officeholders who lobbied for him. Forcing caucus upon the party two weeks earlier than usual. Crediting of campaign contribution of \$21,000 to himself, when • the greater part of it came from the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Com-

pany and Otto Stifel. BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT. Jefferson City, Mo., Jan. 19.—Eight followers of Colonel R. C. Kerens tonight issued their expected statement, in which they set out their reasons for bolting the caucus nominee, Thomas K. Niedringhaus, for the United States

Senate. Several charges are made in the statement, chief among them being that he had used the party organization for his own personal aggrandizement and to efect himself to the office of United States Senator. It is likewise charged that a combination had been effected with Federal officeholders, and that many of the officeholders had come to the State Cap-

ital and appeared on the floor of the House and Senate to lobby for their

candidate. The unanimous report of the Senate Investigating Committee is especially referred to, and the charge is made that had not Mr. Niedringhaus credited to himself the contribution of \$21,000 he never would have been the caucus nominee. Had it been known that \$12,500 of the contribution came from the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company, the statement says, and that \$6,500 was contributed by Otto Stifel, Mr. Niedringhaus would never have been

On the third ballot taken in joint session of the Legislature to-day, Caucus Nominee Thomas K. Niedringhaus lost another vote, that of Representative Hazfeldt, which was cast for Pettijohn.

At the end of the roll call the vote stood: Niedringhaus, 81; Cockrell, 81; Kerens, 6, and Pettijohn, 3. Senators McIndoe and Frisby, who, Kerens supporters claimed yesterday, would leave Niedringhaus to-day, stood firm for the caucus nominee. Senator Peck, whom they also laid claim to, was paired with Senator Wornell, and did not vote. Representative Prewitt was paired with Representative Smith, and Brown of Grundy was absent because

Senator Pettijohn, although receiving three votes, cast his ballot for siedringhaus. Notwithstanding Kerens failed to appear with the fifteen Negotiations have been practically comvotes which he said he would have, the politicians see no indication that the deadlock will be broken soon. ompany and allied interests lease prop erty at Nos. 30 and 311 North Seventh

To-morrow another ballot will be taken, and should the deadlock still hold firm, there is a probability that adjournment will be taken until Mon-

KERENS'S STATEMENT.

The following statement was issued to-night by eight of the K Joseph F. Langton, Assistant Librarian porters:

of the St. Louis Public Library, confessed to the embezzlement of \$4.430. PAGE II. "To the Republicans of Missouri: We feel that it is our duty as Republicans to state to the party at large the reasons which actuate us as members of the General Assembly in refusing to vote for the caucus nominee for United States Senator.

Gus Chapman was found to be alive by "We make no apologies for our action and firmly believe that when the real PAGE 1L facts become as well known to the people Judge Kinsey decided yesterday that the as they are to us our action in maintainwrit of certiorari granted the deposed ing our party integrity will meet with the universal approbation of all Repubicans who are unselfish in their devotion to Republicanism. from naming his successor, and Mr. Heim-

"The Republican party is greater than any one man or set of men, and where party honor and party integrity are involved the question of individuals must sink into insignificance.

"We feel that party honor and integrity ire involved in the election of United States Senator, and that it behooves the PAGE 4 Republican party of this State to elect a man to that position who is qualified in every respect and who is free from sus-Hill, a negro, to the Cooper County Board picion in every way. "When it was known that the Re-The Elections Committee of the Illinois

publicans had carried the Legislature of this State, Thomas K. Niedringhaus. the chairman of the Republican State . Committee, became a candidate and asked that this honor be conferred upon

him for the great services that he had rendered the party and the great pecuntary sacrifices he had made. "The argument was put forth by his campaign managers that he had con

R. C. KERENS.

Thomas W. Lawson has issued another tributed the princely sum of \$21,000, and that it was this contribution that entributed more to the success of the Republican party than any other factor. that its workings will concentrate the other men aspiring to this position questioned this contribution and the wealth of America in the hands of about claim was indulged in that others besides Mr. Niedringhaus had contributed, and ten men, and that the people's deposits that the names of the contributors were being suppressed.

'On the third day of December Mr. Thomas K. Niedringhaus, as chairman of the Republican State Committee and as acting treasurer of said State Committee, filed an affidavit as provided by the statues of this State. The law requires that this statement should be sworn to and Mr. Thomas K. Niedringhaus made affidavit to the truth and correctness of this report, and by reason of this fact all questions as to his contributions were silenced and a great many members of the General Assembly were influenced to give their support by reason of this fact.

CLAIMS NOMINATION WAS MADE BECAUSE MEMBERS WERE IGNORANT OF THE FACTS.

"On the fifth day of January, 1906, the Republicans of this State were called together in caucus, and Mr. Niedringhaus was nominated as a result of said caucus. A few days thereafter resolutions were introduced in the House and the Senate demanding an investigation of the report that was filed, and, pursuant to those resolu-tions, committees were appointed by both Senate and House.

"The Senate made a report, in which all members concurred, Republicans as well as Democrats, that the result of their investigation developed the fact that Thomas K. Niedringhaus had not contributed \$21,000; that \$12,500 of this contribution was made by Adolphus Busch, president of the Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company; that \$6,500 additional was made by Otto Stifel, another brewer of St. Louis, and that, in fact, the only contribution as made by Mr. Niedringhaus did not exceed the sum of \$1,600. Had these facts been known prior to the holding of the Republican caucus, Mr. Niedringhaus would not have been the nominee.

"We feel that it would be a great injustice to the Republicans of this State to elect any man to the exalted position of United States Senator who is tainted in this

SAY CAUCUS WAS FORCED ON MEMBERS BEFORE THEY WERE READY FOR ACTION.

"We are convinced that a caucus was forced on the party nearly two weeks in adrance of the usual time for holding a caucus; that the speakership influence was to be used; that he has entered into an alliance with the Federal officeholders of this State, and that the said Federal officeholders have prestituted their positions by becoming active participants in Mr. Nieiringhaus's behalf, and have come to Jefferson City in great numbers to influence the action of the members of the General Assembl. assuming to represent the national administration at Washington.

"The Federal officeholders have swarmed here in great numbers, and have so far forgotten the dignity of their positions as to go on the floor of the House and Senate and personally importune the members to vote for his nomination; that in justice to the party and to curselves we cannot conceive of a greater wrong being perpetrated upon the party than would be his election to the Senate at this time. He is now under the cloud of suspicion, and his influence, if elected, would be impaired and would do permanent injury to the people of this State.

"We further deplore the fact that Mr. Niedringhaus, as candidate for the United States senatorship and as chairman of the Republican State Committee, has used the party machinery for his own personal advancement.

The position we have assumed is in the interests of the Republican party. We anew our duty and the obligations we are under to the party of this State, and we

Continend on Page Two.

Author of Frenzied Finance Delivers Another Broadside Against "Standard Oil" Group of Millionaires.

SYSTEM WORSE THAN LOTTERY

Declares It Is Gaining Astounding Power by Using People's Deposits in Banks Against Themselves.

OWNS FINANCIAL MACHINERY

lites Examples to Illustrate How Deposits of Capital Are Absorbed From Savings Institutions by Wall Street Speculators.

LAWSON'S ARTICLES.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL New York. Jan. 19.-Though indisposition was given as the cause in each case, the resignations to-day of two men classed in the financial district as members of the Rockefeller clique from offices of two widely known corporations caused .

Samuel C. T. Todd, who resigned his position as solicitor of the Standard Oil Company, is one of the men referred to, while William G. Rockefeller, the son of William Rockefeller, who resigned from the offices of secretary and treasurer. as well as director, of the Amalgamated Copper Company, is the

REPUBLIC SPECIAL New York, Jan. 19.-Thomas W. Lawson

the Standard Oil group of millionaires termed by him "the System," in his latest installment of "Frenzied Finance" in Everybody's Magazine for February, out tomorrow.

In this installment Mr. Law "The Story of Amalgamated." He starts the "story" with a description of the financial system of the country, and the manner in which "the System" is gradunily getting legal control of the entire

It will only be a few years, he says, when ten men will be absolute legal owners of the entire United States, and the rest of the people will be legally their slaves. SAYS "THE SYSTEM" IS WORSE

THAN LOUISIANA LOTTERY.

He compares "the System" with the Louisiana Lottery, and says that "morally, legally and ethically the lottery, with its attendant curses, was a far better in-

He says that "the System" is gaining its astounding power and robbing the people of their millions by using the people's deposits in banks, insurance companies and other institutions against themselves. "You may ask if I desire to convey the

idea that the great financial institutions and trusts of this country, which have their head center in Wall street, are all concerned in a conspiracy to rob the people of their savings," he writes. "You hink, doubtless, that so sweeping a statement goes beyond the truth. I desire to go on record right here in declaring that all such financial institutions which in any way are engaged in taking from the people the money that is their surplus earn-ings or their capital, for the estensible purpose of safeguarding it, or putting it in use for them, or exchanging it for stocks, bonds, policies or other paper evidences of worth, are a part of the machine for the plundering of the people.

"This is a terrible charge, I am well aware, but it is based upon a thorough knowledge of the subject and made with a full appreciation of its gravity. I do not mean to say that all the men who handle and control the different institutions mentioned have guilty knowledge of the bearing of their actions. Many of them are of the purest minds and most honest intentions, and are quite incapable of participating voluntarily in a conspiracy to wrong anyone.

"They do not know, however, that the relation between their own minor institution and the general financial structure constitutes the former an agency for 'the System' which controls and has organised the general financial structure in o an instrument for converting the money of the public to its own purposes. "SYSTEM" IN POSSESSION OF FINANCIAL MECHANISM.

"In fact, 'the System' has cunningly possessed itself of the financial mechansm of the country and is running it, not for the object for which the machine was devised, but for the benefit and personal

profit of its votaries and so the vast correlated organization of banks, trust companies and insurance corporations which were brought into being for the safe handling of the people's savings has become an agency for transferring these savings to the control of unscrupulous manipulators, who take liberal toll of every dollar that passes through their hands. "In the height of its prosperity the

Louisiana lottery only took from the people a paitry ten or twenty million dollars a year, while to-day there are single groups of banks, trust companies, corporations and trusts which take from the people by might, by trick and by theft hundreds of millions each year, and there are mores of such groups. The Sugar Trust has been the instrument of gathering in one year a hundred million of the people's savings, and the Steel Trust alone has Continend on Page Two.

CZAR BARELY ESCAPES DEATH AT THE HANDS OF ASSASSIN; HIS WHOLE FAMILY IN PERIL

Charge of Grape Shot Fired Over the Chapel Where Emperor Attends Religious Exercise Riddles Basement Windows of Palace and Kills a Policeman-Identity of Plotter Not Established—False Aim Alone Saves Entire Royal Household—Ambassador McCormick in Room Which Missi'es Entered.



WINTER PALACE OF THE CZAR.

The windows of which were broken by grapeshot fired over a chapel where the Emperor was holding a religious service.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 19.—The festival of the Epiphany, the blessing of the waters, had just concluded at 1 o'clock this afternoon when simultaneously with the saute fired from the St. Peter and St. Paul fortress a rain of grape shot swept over the little chapel built over the frozen Neva in front of the Winter Palace, where the service.

The missiles went high, entering win-

dows of the splendid row of salons along the water front from which the Empress the ladies of the court and the member of the diplomatic corps, including Am baseador McCormick, Secretary Eddy and Second Secretary Bliss, and all the high dignituries of the State, Army and Navy were witnessing the glittering spectacle below. The Emperor had a miraculous es-There is no doubt that the missile

came from a gun on the Bourse battery which was loaded with grape, not with shrapnel. Some of the bullets actually struck the little open chapel in which the Emperor was standing, cut the staff of one of the standards, and fairly riddled the basement windows of the palace, killing a policeman outright and wound officer and three marines.

FALSE AIM ALONE SAVES WHOLE ROMANOFF DYNASTY. Had the gun been aimed a little lower the charge of grape might have wiped out the whole Romanoff dynasty. No official statement has as yet been

ed, but the suggestion offered that the gun was loaded with grape as a precau-tion, in view of possible strike rioting. hardly meets the fact that it was aim with such accuracy at the chapel. Everything on the surface seems to in

dicate the existence of a deadly and deepaid plot against the Emperor, in which artillerymen were enlisted. It is understood that all the men and officers of the battery were immediately placed under arrest for examination. The police took charge of the spot where

the battery still stands, and drew a double cordon across the river, searchi out everything in the line of fire. An old targe, frozen in the ice, was thoroughly examined to ascertain whether the bu. et could possibly have come from it, but no evidence was discovered tending to substantiate such a theory.

which entered the Nicholas Hall, where the diplomats were gathered, struck down a golden plate from the wall. Many o the diplomats, however, did not suspecthe cause of the fall of the plate until afterwards, although they noticed that something unusual had happened, especially as the reception did not take place in the hall where it generally occurs. EMPEROR PAILS TO SHOW

A TRACE OF EXCITEMENT.

The Emperor displayed splendid nerve He did not show a trace of excitement He received the diplomats in his usual ordial, gentle manner, reviewed the guard regiments on the square behind the palace and subsequently had luncheon served in the state dining-room.

When the correspondent of the Asso-

ciated Press. who was about to go down to the white salon when one of the missiles flew right over his head, left the palace he saw a hole in the window of another salon and holes outside in the gueso of the massive red building. "If this was a deliberate plot," said as

officer especially charged with safeguarding the person of his Majesty, "It was very ingenious. We have been prepared for an anarchist attempt in any form we Emperor with one of his own guns, under the guise of firing a calute, was never dreamed of. It is a new departure again repetition of which we must take pre autions. If the gunners of the Emperor's picked guard can be enlisted in such a dastardly conspiracy, serious possibilities

PORCH CLIMBERS GET RICH BOOTY.

Secure Money and Jewelry Valued at \$200 From Niederlander and Flad Residences.

Porch climbers entered the resi Nicholas F. Niederlander, president of the Westinghouse Automatic Air and Steam Coupler Company, at No. 462 Washington coulevard, at 7.39 o'clock last night and scured 235 and watches and jewelry valred at several hundred dollars from a tresser in a second-story room. The famlly was at dinner at the time.



THE NEVA RIVER which the assassin's shots were fired. The famous bridge connecting the Winter Palace and an island in the river is also shown in the picture.

Will Be Erected by Missouri-Lincoln on Seventh Street Near Olive.

TO JOIN PRESENT STRUCTURE.

Ninety-Nine Year Lease Secured on Fifty-Three Feet of Ground -Work May Begin in May.

Negotiations have been practically completed whereby the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company and allied interests have secured ninety-nine year lease on the property at Nos. 309 and 211 North Seventh street, upon which it is proposed to erect an ex-tension of the Missouri-Lincoln Trust building, fourteen stories high, at a cost of \$250,000.

The site of the proposed structure is be-tween the Missouri-Lincoln Trust building and the Mercantile (!lub. It belongs to Charles Clark, and the annual grou ental to be paid is in the neighborho \$10,000 a year.

For some time the rapid growth of the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company aused its directors to consider the best means of gaining more space, and finally a committee consisting of Thomas Wright, ohn W. Harrison, A. P. Ghio and A. A. B. Woerhelde and Jesse French was an thorized to enter into negotiations for the lease of the Clark property.

It is the purpose of the Missouri-Lincols Trust Company to extend its offices not only the width of the new property. feet, but also occupy the entire depth of the first floor, 127 feet. It is also believed that the vaults of the company will be moved from the basement to quarters in the new building. This will give to the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Company 11.000

quare feet of floor space. While it is now proposed that the new structure shall extend back only the width of the wing of the Missouri-Lis Trust building at Seventh and Olive streets, consideration is given to a plan for making the proposed addition the full width, which would entail an expenditure of another \$350,000.

LEASES EXPIRE MAY 1

The leases on the property wherean it is proposed to build the addition expire May 1, and immediately thereafter the construction of the addition will be begun. One of the most significant features of the deal is the interests represented in the committee to negotiate for the Misquigi-Lincoln Trust Company. Thomas H. Wright to not only a dis-

ter of the Missouri-Lincoln Trust Com-pany, but is president of the Chemical Building Company. John W. Harrison is the owner of the Columbia building, at A tamond watch, a pearl-set watch chain and charm, two stickpins and three sets of haby pins were secured by the thieves. The burglary was discovered by a servant, who entered the room.

Shortly after thieves climbed the porch of the residence of Mrs. Caroline Flad at No. 452 Westminster place and secured a pocketbook and St.